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From Mrs. J. W. Crook

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Dear Mrs. Loops -

Your son, Frank, has been with us the past two week ends and I want to tell you how much we liked him. He is a wonderful boy, so different from the usual modern youth. Even from such a short acquaintance it is easy to recognize his good qualities.

My daughter Jere, is a school teacher here in the Winter Haven grammar school and she has been bringing various boys home from the dances ever since they started entertaining the soldiers here but Frank is the only one who has made much impression on us.

He tells us he is slated to go overseas ^{soon} so we have made him promise to drop us a line from time to time. Jere has a twin sister who is married to a boy who is now in Air Transport School in New York City. Upon

Completion of his course he will go over and my daughter will come home (she is in n.y. now) and we are looking for our first grand child in August, so there are compensations.

Naturally, we all feel anxious for the fate of our boys and we will join our prayers with yours for Frank's safe return -

Please do not feel any obligation to answer this letter. I just wanted you to know how much we enjoyed having Frank in our home.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

Lillian H. Crook
(Mrs J. W. Crook)

Dear Mrs Crook.

This same month one year ago, the twenty second to be exact, your letter found its way to me. With its arrival I felt that a new ~~friend~~ acquaintance had been found and a profound ^{sincere} friendship had been born.

Warming to a mother's heart were the words of praise given to Frank, our son, and I did and will ever appreciate your interest in him. The kind hospitality extended and your letter to me.

Over seas, he still is, Sardinia. He has in his required missions of fifty and more, or may be some time soon to express in his words, "he will wake with his leaving papers in his hand".

He has been wonderful in writing, often to his family and the mails receive it have come through with very little delay.

And now about your family. How is the precious baby expected last August? and the new son in law?

Frank wrote of Jere's marriage to Joe.
Our daughter, Georgebelle and I selected and
expressed a gift to her. Frank's request
the hope it reached her safely.

Paul, visited with us one day last
summer. I think the three boys felt very
close. "Joe, Paul and Frank". We were
glad of the opportunity to meet Paul.

Some day maybe the opportunity will
present itself to meet Joe and Jere, and
you, Mrs. Cook. We would at any time
love to meet you personally, and visit
with us if you should come our way.

Thanks again for the letter and
please do not term me ungrateful for
I didn't intend waiting so long, in
fact many, many times have I written
in my thoughts to you.

~~Don't forget~~

~~Sincerely and~~
~~with a lasting remembrance and good~~
~~wishes~~, With best wishes and I
hope, forgiveness, I am

Sincerely yours
Ova M. Loope